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in a Computer System

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SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Substance of the Interview submission is in response to the Interview Summary mailed September 23, 2005 for the above identified patent application. This Substance of the Interview is being filed within one month of the mailing date of the Interview Summary.

A telephonic interview was conducted between Examiner Brinich and Applicants' representatives, Gary Williams and Yalei Sun, on September 21, 2005.

With regard to the claim rejections under 35 USC 101, the undersigned attorney brought the Examiner's attention to the following specific language in the preamble of claim 9, "the computer program product comprising *a computer readable storage medium*", and argued that claims 9-16 have satisfied the subject matter requirement under 35 USC 101. The Examiner agreed.

With regard to the claim rejections under 35 USC 103(a), the undersigned attorney first pointed out that the test pattern of Dobbs is a single document, not a list of specific documents recited in claim 1. This single document is printed repeatedly on different print media using different print modes to determine what print mode is most appropriate for a particular print medium. The registry of Koppolu establishes a link between a specific application program and a document type having a specific file extension, not a list of specific documents as recited in claim 1. Neither the test pattern of Dobbs nor the registry of Koppolu teaches or suggests a driver-test data structure that identifies a plurality of applications and a list of specific documents as recited in claim 1. Also, neither Dobbs nor Koppolu teaches "associating each of a plurality of the identified application with specific respective documents."

The Examiner then suggested that FIG. 6 of Koppolu teaches a data structure that identifies a plurality of applications and a list of specific documents. After carefully reviewing Koppolu, the undersigned attorney respectfully disagreed with the Examiner's reading of Koppolu. FIG. 6 and its associated description (col. 17, lines 26-53 of Koppolu) teach a method of printing a group of documents with consecutive page numbers using a single client application program such as the Binder application in the Microsoft Office, and there is no teaching or implication in Koppolu of a driver-test data structure that identifies a plurality of applications and a list of specific documents.

The Examiner requested the undersigned attorney to prepare a response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2005 and agreed to reconsider the pending claims in light of the aforementioned arguments. Applicant submitted an Amendment on September 26, 2005, a copy of which is attached.

Since the Substance of Interview is timely filed within one month of the September 23, 2005 mailing date of the Interview Summary, Applicants believe there is no fee due at this time. However, if there is a fee due, please charge the required fee to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order no. 60976-0032-US). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

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